FISCAL NOTE

SB 669

March 13, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes seizure and forfeiture of motor vehicles driven by persons with a revoked, suspended or canceled driver license that was revoked, suspended or canceled for any offense. Current law authorizes forfeiture if the license was revoked, suspended or canceled for a DUI offense.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues - \$2,550,000 Increase State Expenditures - \$3,253,000 Recurring \$56,000 One-Time

Increase Local Revenues - \$6,000,000 Increase Local Expenditures - \$6,000,000*

Assumptions:

- Approximately 30,000 annual convictions for driving on a revoked, suspended or canceled license.
- Approximately 3,000 persons will post a cost bond and request and receive an administrative hearing.
- At least 15,000 additional vehicles will be seized on an annual basis.
- Approximately 12,000 will be seized by local governments and approximately 3,000 will be seized by the state.
- An increase in state revenues from the collection of cost bonds (3,000 @ \$350) and the sale of seized vehicles (3,000 @ \$500).
- An increase in local government revenues from the sale of seized vehicles (12,000 @ \$500).
- A recurring and one-time increase in state expenditures for salary and benefits for ten additional positions and related operational expenses to handle the provisions of this bill including the towing, storing and selling or seized vehicles and the scheduling and holding of administrative hearings among other things.
- An increase in local government expenditures relative to the cost of towing, storing and selling the seized vehicles.

• There may be some local governments that have revenues in excess of expenditures. This excess is to be remitted to the Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Fund in the Department of Health. This amount, if any, is estimated to be not significant.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director